House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 6628–6632; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 143 and H. Res. 924, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harper to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Dr. Glen Bohannon, College Acres Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 290 yeas to 106 nays with 2 answering "present", Roll No. 615.

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Private Calendar: On the call of the Private calendar, the House passed H.R. 1857, for the relief of Bartosz Kumor; H.R. 824, for the relief of Daniel Wachira; H.R. 823, for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas; H.R. 794, for the relief of Allan Bolor Kelley; H.R. 357, for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic; and H.R. 316, for the relief of Esther Karinge. Additionally, the House passed over without prejudice S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke.

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

American Energy Manufacturing Technical Corrections Act: H.R. 6582, amended, to allow for innovations and alternative technologies that meet or exceed desired energy efficiency goals, and to make technical corrections to existing Federal energy efficiency laws to allow American manufacturers to remain competitive, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 398 yeas to 2 nays with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 614.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:45 p.m. **Pages H6606-07**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Ellison motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 3 ayes to 393 noes, Roll No. 616.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, December 5th.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Walz presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committees on Ways and Means and the Budget from the consideration of H.R. 15, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief to middle-class families (Discharge Petition No. 6).

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6607, H6607–08, and H6608–09. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TERRORIST EXPLOITATION OF REFUGEE PROGRAMS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a hearing entitled "Terrorist Exploitation of Refugee Programs." Testimony was heard from Lawrence Bartlett, Director of the Refugee Admissions Office, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State; Barbara Strack, Chief, Refugee Affairs Division, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security; and Dawn Scalici, Deputy Undersecretary, Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security.

BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS LAND TRANSFER CLARIFICATION ACT OF 2012

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing on S. 3193, the "Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act of 2012." Testimony was heard from Representative Hunter; Michael Black, Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

REVIEW OF THE PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE TO AND RECOVERY FROM HURRICANE SANDY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "A Review of the Preparedness, Response To and Recovery From Hurricane Sandy." Testimony was heard from W. Craig Fugate, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Fred Tombar, Senior Advisor to the

Secretary for Disaster Recovery, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Major General Michael Walsh, Deputy Commanding General, Civil and Emergency Operations, Army Corps of Engineers; Robert R. Latham, Jr., Executive Director Mississippi Emergency Management Agency; Mark Riley, Deputy Director, Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, State of Louisiana; and David Popoff, Emergency Management Coordinator, Galveston County, Texas.

CHALLENGES OF TRANSITIONING VETERANS RECORDS TO PAPERLESS TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled "Wading through Warehouses of Paper: The Challenges of Transitioning Veterans Records to Paperless Technology." Testimony was heard from Jim Neighbors, Director of DoD/VA Collaboration Office, Department of Defense; Scott Levins, Director of the National Personnel Records Center, National Archives and Records Administration; Alan Bozeman, Director, Veterans Benefits Management System, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine Hurricane Sandy, focusing on response and recovery and progress and challenges, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine assessing developments in Mali, focusing on restoring democracy and reclaiming the north, 9 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 3472, to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act, the nomination of Erica Lynn Groshen, of New York, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, and any pending nominations, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

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Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia, hearing entitled "Iranian Influence in the South Caucasus and the Surrounding Region," 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup of H.R. 6364, the "Frank Buckles World War I Memorial Act"; H.R. 752, the "Molalla River Wild and Scenic Rivers Act"; and S. 3193, the "Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act of 2012," 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled "The Impact of International Technology Transfer on American Research and Development," 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.